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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE GUESTS AT RIO DINNER

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1. THE FOLLOWING IS A COMBINED BRASILIA-RIO PANEL OF
POSSIBLE GUESTS AT DINNER:

A. ROMULO ALMEIDA. ECONOMIST:PLANNER WITH A DEFINITE
NATIONALIST BENT, BUT NOT WILD-EYED. PARTICIPATED IN
DRAFTING OF LEGISLATION WHICH SET UP PETROBRAS AS STATE
MONOPOLY IN MIDDLE 50'S. IMPORTANT IN KUBITCHEK GOVERNMENT
IN SECOND ECHELON OF DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES. NEW HAS PRIVATE
CONSULTANT FIRM IN BAHIA. AT TIME A MEMBERS
OF THE BRAZILIAN COMMISSION OF JUSTICE AND PEACE, CHICH
SUGGESTS A CERTAIN KNOWLEDGE OF THE CHURCH AND AN
INTEREST IN HUMAN RIGHTS. IN HIS MIDDLE 50'S. YOU MAY REMEMBER
HIM FROM EARLY ALLIANCE YEARS.

B. AZEVEDO ANTUNES. PROBABLY BRAZIL'S MOST IMPORTANT
MINING ENTREPRENEUR (MANGANESE INPARTNERSHIP WITH BETHLEHEM
STEEL, IRON ORE WITH HANNA). ONE OF BRAZIL'S TOP TYCOONS.
SOMETHING OF A BRAZILIAN TOUCHSTONE FOR US MULTINATINATIONALS.
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WELL INFORMED ON ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS. ON

OTHER HAND, KLABIN CONSIDERS HIM SOMETHING OF A WIND BAG, IN HIS WORDS, " THE BILLY GRAHAM OF BRAZIL". IN HIS EARLY 70'S.

C. FATHER FERNANDO BASTOS AVILA. AN INTERNATIONALLY FAMOUS SOCIOLOGIST WHO, WE BELIEVE, HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN U.S. HE HEADS A DEVELOPMENTAL "THINK TANK" SPONSORED BY THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF BRAZILIAN BISHOPS. WITHIN THE CHURCH AVILA IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN IMPORTANT THEOLOGIAN. NOT A FORCEFUL CONVERSATIONALIST, HE IS INTELLIGENT AND BALANCED IN HIS VIEWS. RECOMMENDED BY KLABIN.

D. OCTAVIO GOUVEA DE BULHOES. WELL KNOWN TO YOU AS THE "GRANDOLD MAN" OF THE BRAZILIAN IN THE EARLY DAYS OF THE REVOLUTION, HE STILL IS FREQUENTLY CONSULTED BY MEMBERS OF THE CURRENT ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TEAM WHO, TO MY PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE, THINK HIGHLY OF HIM. KLABIN BELIEVES BULHOES HAS BECOME A LITTLE SENILE BUT IN MY CONTACTS WITH HIM HE HAS BEEN KEEN AND VERY MUCH ON THE BALL.

E. JOSE COSTA CAVALCANTI. HEAD OF ITAIPU INTERNATIONAL. HE SERVED IN COSTA E SILVA GOVERNMENT AS MINISTER OF MINES AND ENERGY, AND IN THE MEDICI GOVERNMENT AS MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR. HE DID AGOOD, IF NOT BRILLIANT, JOB. A FORMER ARMY COLONEL, HE IS BRIGHT, ARTICULATE, AND NOT A REAL HARDLINER POLITICALLY. IN HIS LATE 50'S.

F. ANTONIO GALOTTI. A LAWYER AND ONE-TIME LAW PROFESSOR, HE IS NOW PRESIDENT OF LIGHT, THE BIG CANADIAN-OWNED UTILITY. HE HAS WIDE-RANGING INTERESTS IN BUSINESS AND BANKING AFFAIRS BUT HAS A REPUTATION FOR EING A PR TYPE. HE IS CLOSE TO DAVID ROCKEFELLER AND IS AN OCCASIONAL SOURCE OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE BRAZILIAN SCENE FOR HIM. RECOMMENDED BY KLABIN.

G. ISAAC KERSTENETSKY. HE HEAD THE WELL-RUN AND IMPORTANT BRAZILIAN CENSUS BUREAU, WHICH AT HIS INSTIGATION IS INCREASINGLY DOING IN-DEPTH SOCIAL/SOCIOLOGICAL ANALYSES. HE HAS AN INTERNATIONAL REPUTATIONAND IS OUTGOING. HE IS A CONFIDENTIAL

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BRILLIANT ECONOMIST STATISTICIAN AND INTELLECTUAL. HE IS ALSO A PROMINENT MEMBER OF THE BRAZILIAN JEWISH COMMUNITY. RECOMMENDED BY KLABIN.

H. CARLOS GIRALDO LANGONI. DIRECTOR OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL AT GETULIO VARGAS FOUNDATION. HE IS IN HIS EARLY 30'S AND EARNED HIS PHD AT CHICAGO. ATTRACTIVE AND ARTCULATE, HE IS A RISING STAR AMONG BRAZILIAN

ECONOMISTS. HE IS THOUGHT HIGHLY OF BY AND IS CLOSE TO
SIMONSEN AND PAULO SIRA, HEAD OF THE CENTRAL BANK.

I. REINALDO GUIMARAES LEVENSON. PRESIDENT OF A
VERY LARGE CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE COMPANY IN RIO.
A GOOD CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE DESCRIBES HIM AS WELL INFORMED,
BRILLIANT, ARTICULATE AND ON THE LIBER ASIDE POLITICALLY.
HE IS IN HIS LATE 30'S - EARLY 40'S. I DO NOT KNOW HIM,
NOR DOES DEXTER.

J. ROBERTO DA MATTA. A HARVARD PHD, HIS FIELD IS
URBAN ANTHROPOLOGY. CONSIDERED TO BE ONE OF BRAZIL'S
TOP 2 OR 3 ANTHROPOLOGISTS. HAS INTERESTS FAR BROADER THAN
HIS SPECIALITY. HE IS IN HIS LATE 30'S. I HAVE READ SOME
OF HIS SHORT PIECES, WHICH ARE GOOD, BUT I DO NOT KNOW HIM
PERSONALLY, NOR DOES DEXTER. RECOMMENDED BY A KNOWLEDGEABLE,
CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE.

K. MANOEL PIO CORREA. CURRENTLY PRESIDENT
OF SIEMENS IN BRAZIL. FORMER SECRETARY GENERAL OF
FOREIGN MINISTRY, AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO AND URUGUAY. HE
IS STILL NOMINALLY ON ITAMARATY ROLLS. I HAVE ALWAYS
SUSPECTED THAT PIO CORREA WAS INFLUENTIAL IN THE
DEVELOPMENT AND CONCLUSION OF THE FRG-BRAZIL NUCLEAR
AGREEMENT, IN WHICH SIEMENS IS, OF COURSE, A MAJOR
PARTICIPANT. IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HE HAD VERY
CONSERVATIVE POLITICAL VIEWS ON EAST-WEST ISSUES. THESE
CAN BE EXPECTED TO BE CARRIED OVER INTO DOMESTIC POLITICS.
HE IS INTELLIGENT, ARTICULATE, VERY ATTRACTIVE PERSONALLY.

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2. THE FOREGOING LIST FALLS MORE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT SIDE THAN OTHERWISE. SOME OF THE MOST INTERESTING LEAVENS ARE ABROAD, FOR EXAMPLE, CANDIDO MENDES, HELIO JAGUARIBE AND CELSO LAFER. THESE ALSO WOULD HAVE LIGHTENED THE ECONOMIC CAST OF THE PANEL. AS YOU KNOW, BRAZILIAN POLITICAL SCIENTISTS AND SOCIOLOGISTS OF QUALITY ARE AS HARD TO COME BY AS THOSE WITH A "WORLD VIEW".

3. WE HAVE NOT GONE INTO THE PRESS SECTOR BECAUSE WE THOUGHT THAT YOU MIGHT BE A LITTLE UNCOMFORTABLE AND BECAUSE JOURNALISTIC SENSITIVITIES CAN BE AROUSED BY THE SELECTION PROCESS. THE TWO SINGLE MOST INTERESTING NEWSPAPERMEN, BOTH ORIENTED PRIMARILY BUT BY NO MEANS EXCLUSIVELY TOWARD INTERNAL POLIICS (FROM A RESPONSIBLY UNSYMPATHETIC PERSPECTIVE TOWARD THE REGIME) WOULD BE CARLOS CASTELLO BRANCO OF THEJORNAL DO BRASIL AND CARLOS CHAGAS OF THE ESTADO DE SAO PAULO. (LAST YEAR CASTELLO BRANCO DID SOMEINTERESTING ANALYTICAL PIECES FROMPORTUGAL AND SPAIN.) BOTH ARE RESIDENTIN BRASILIA BUT, WOULD BE PREPARED TO GO TO RIO, I BELIEVE, FERNANDO PEDREIRA, THE MANAGING EDITOR OF ESP AND THE AUTHOR OF THE RECENT PIECE IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS: RUBENS VAS DA COSTA, FORMER HEAD OF THE NATINAL HOUSING BANK (REALLY A SMALL HUD) AND NOW WITH THE HOUSE THAT PUBLISHES
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VEJA, AND MINO CARTY, UNTIL VERY RECENTLY EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF VEJA, WOULD BE OTHERS. LUIS OCTAVIO BAHIA OF THE JB IS ABROAD.

4. PLEASE LET USKNOW SOONEST THE NAMES SELECTED IN ORDER OF PRIORITY SO THAT WE CAN REPLACE THOSE WHO FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER CANNOT ACCEPT THE INVITATION.

5. DISCUSSING RIO SCHEDULE WITH DCM JUST AS THIS TELEGRAM WAS BEING PREPARED, CHIEF OF PROTOCOL SCARABOTOLO REFERRED TO FACT THAT KLABIN'S FIRST WIFE WAS DONA MAY'S SISTER (BRASILIA 0998). HE SAID KLABIN'S INVOLVEMENT IN SECRETARY'S PROGRAM MIGHT CAUSE "OUTSIDERS" TO BE MISLED INTO BELIEVING THAT SILVEIRA HAD SUGGESTED THE CONTACT. HE WENT ON TO DESCRIBEKLABIN AS A "SPONSOR OF THE INTELLIGENTSIA" IN RIO AND MENTIONED WITHOUT ELABORATION SOME "TROUBLE"WHICH AROSE AT THE TIME OF MEXICAN PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA'S VISIT (SEE COMMENT BELOW). HE CONCLUDED BY SAYING VERY LARLY AND INSISTENTLY THAT

HIS ONLY REQUEST WAS THAT SECRETARY BE INFORMED OF THE SILVEIRA-KLABIN RELATIONSHIP.

6. SCARABOTOLO JUST CALLED DCM BACK TO SAY THAT HE WANTED TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER HAD NOT REQUESTED HIM TO POINT OUT THE FAMILY RELATIONSHIP: IT WAS ENTIRELY CARABOTOLO'S OWN INITIATIVE "AS FOREIGN MINISTER'S ADVISER". SCARABOTOLO STATED THAT, IN FACT THE FOREIGN MINISTER DOES NOT EVEN KNOW AS YET OF THE PLANS INVOLVING KLABIN, ALTHOUGH HE UNDOUBTEDLY WILL LEARN OF IT WHEN THE SECRETARY COMES ("IT WILL BE IN THE PAPERS"). AGAIN, SCARABOTOLO CONCLUDED BY SAYING HE WAS ONLY ASKING DCM TO MAKE SURE THE SECRETARY IS AWARE OF THE RELATIONSHIP, "NOTHING MORE". (WE HAVE EVERY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT SILVEIRA DOES IN FACT KNOW ABOUT KLABIN'S INVOLVEMENT.)

7. COMMENT: THE REFERENCE TO THE SO-CALLED "TROUBLE" UNDOUBTEDLY RELATES TO AN ALMOST ALL-NIGHT SESSION ECHEVERRIA HAD IN RIO WITH A LARGE GROUP OF INTELLECTUALS. SILVEIRA MADE TO ME A SNEERING REFERENCE TO THE MEETING JUST AFTER THAT VISIT, BUT I WAS UNAWARE OF, NOR DID SILVEIRA MENTION, ANY KLABIN INVOLVEMENT, SO I DO NOT KNOW WHETHER CONFIDENTIAL

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HIS REACTION WAS AT BOTTOM PERSONAL OR POLITICAL. THE SESSION, WHICH WAS QUITE HEAVILY ANTI-ESTABLISHMENT IN ITS COMPOSITION, WAS LOOKED ON ASKANCE BY SOME IN THE REGIME BUT IT DID ECHEVERRIA'S IMAGE IN BROADER CIRCLES NO HARM AND PERHAPS SOME GOOD.

8. THE PROPOSED PANEL OF GUESTS, HAVING AS I HAVE NOTED ABOVE AN ESTABLISHMENT BIAS, IS QUITE TAME, AND THERE COULD NOT LEGITIMATELY BE THE POLITICAL REACTION THAT OCCURRED IN ECHEVERRIA'S CASE. THIS WOULD LEAVE THE QUESTION OF SILVEIRA'S REACTION ON PERSONAL GROUNDS. MY OPINION IS THAT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE DISTANCE AT FACE VALUE, MAINTAIN THE KLABIN CONNECTION WITH THE RIO SCHEDULE IN GENERAL AND GO AHEAD WITH THE DINNER WITH BRAZILIANS, POSSIBLE MOVING IT OUT OF KLABIN'S HOUSE. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE REASONABLE ACTIONS OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES CANNOT BE INHIBITED BY FAMILY FEUDS TO THE EXTENT OF HIS TURNING HIS BACK AND YOUR TURNING YOURS -- ON KLABIN COMPLETELY. A CHANGE OF VENUE OF THE DINNER, WITH KLABIN AS ONE GUEST, WOULD REDUCE SILVEIRA'S DISCOMFITURE, WHICH HAS BEEN INTIMATED IN A TYPICALLY CONVOLUTED MANNER BUT WHICH IS REAL, I BELIEVE. IT WOULD NOT BE ELIMINATED TOTALLY BECAUSE HE MIGHT STILL SUSPECT KLABIN OF BEING THE MOVING FORCE BEHIND THE DINNER.

9. PLEASE LET DEXTER AND ME KNOW THE DECISION SOONEST.

10. I HAVE PASSED ON TO THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR THE
DINNER FORMAT AS CHANGED BY REFTEL. HE CANNOT GET IN TOUCH
WITH PALLISTER UNTIL LATE AFTERNOON TOMORROW, FEBRUARY 18.
I WILL LET YOU KNOW.
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